

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RODNEY JAMES MILLS,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
J. AGURKIS, *et al.*,  
Defendants.

Case No. 2:22-cv-01675-JDP (PC)  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY THIS  
CASE SHOULD NOT BE DISMISSED FOR  
FAILURE TO PROSECUTE AND FAILURE  
TO STATE A CLAIM  
RESPONSE DUE WITHIN TWENTY-ONE  
DAYS

On January 23, 2023, I screened plaintiff's complaint, notified him that it failed to state a claim, and gave him thirty days to file an amended complaint. ECF No. 11. To date, plaintiff has not filed an amended complaint.

To manage its docket effectively, the court requires litigants to meet certain deadlines. The court may impose sanctions, including dismissing a case, for failure to comply with its orders or local rules. *See Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b); E.D. Cal. L.R. 110; Hells Canyon Pres. Council v. U.S. Forest Serv.*, 403 F.3d 683, 689 (9th Cir. 2005); *Carey v. King*, 856 F.2d 1439, 1440-41 (9th Cir. 1988). Involuntary dismissal is a harsh penalty, but a district court has a duty to administer justice expeditiously and avoid needless burden for the parties. *See Pagtalunan v. Galaza*, 291 F.3d 639, 642 (9th Cir. 2002); *Fed. R. Civ. P. 1*.

Plaintiff will be given a chance to explain why the court should not dismiss the case for his failure to file an amended complaint. Plaintiff's failure to respond to this order will constitute

1 a failure to comply with a court order and will result in a recommendation that this action be  
2 dismissed. Accordingly, plaintiff is ordered to show cause within twenty-one days why this case  
3 should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute and failure to state a claim. Should plaintiff wish  
4 to continue with this lawsuit, he shall file, within twenty-one days, an amended complaint.

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6 IT IS SO ORDERED.

7 Dated: April 4, 2023



8 JEREMY D. PETERSON  
9 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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